

**Silver Falls Kennel Club**  
**General Meeting**  
September 25, 2003  
Chalet Restaurant, Salem, Oregon

**In attendance:** Jim Brown, Pat Hill, Mary O'Neil, Rikki Hoffecker, Helen Wymore, Judi James, Chuck & Beth Aylworth, Gary Dunlop, Liz Hughes, Rebecca Hillyer, Alice Watt, Karen Houle. Vice President Wymore presided.

**Secretary's report** – no correspondence. Minutes of last meeting were approved as published.

**Treasurer's report** – We have about \$3,100 in the bank. Liz will send notices to those members who have not paid dues for 2003-04.

**Reports from committees**

Policy committee Helen reported Karen did a wonderful job leading the policy committee's meetings and they now propose two policies. Board reviewed and made minor edits to clarify the two ways a policy can be changed: through policy committee or through annual review. After discussion, motion was made, seconded, and carried with no objections voiced to adopt these two policies.

**Unfinished business**

Memory Walk – Rikki passed out necessary paperwork and several members committed to walking with their dogs on Sunday afternoon, October 5.

Winter Match – Liz has secured the Polk County Fairgrounds for Saturday 12/27 and requested volunteers to help put on the match. Based on prior matches, we will offer puppy & anything goes sweepstakes with prizes instead of returning all cash; 4-H and junior handling, rally obedience. Will also do a raffle. Potluck will be more of a holiday party style available to all throughout the day. Judi will put together a flyer as soon as possible for distribution at upcoming shows.

Programs for general meetings The board proposed the following schedule for the next several meetings:

- 10/23 Canine reproduction – Dr. Calkins (Helen to coordinate)
- 11/20 Planning for December match (Liz to coordinate)
- 12/18 Christmas Party (Rebecca to coordinate)
- (1/22 Regular meeting date conflicts with Rose Classic)
- 1/29 Dog whispering – Pat Hill (Chris to coordinate)
- 2/9-10 Westminster Party (Coordinator?)
- 3/25 Planning for April match (Judi to coordinate)

There was discussion of doing some type of holiday party in December at a restaurant in the area or someone's home. Rebecca will coordinate and would appreciate feedback on possible sites and activities

Spring match Judi has secured State Fairgrounds for Sat April 10, 2004. Judi is beginning to organize invitations to other clubs who may want to put on a match in

cooperation with us to bolster entry. Consensus to offer space to those clubs for \$1/entry. We also had quite a few spectators last year; consensus to add \$1 to parking fee to capture some revenue from spectators. Chris will put together a card Tom can pass out at the upcoming rare breed show suggesting contact with Judi. Judi will also begin soliciting vendors.

Breeder referral and information: no report.

Achievements committee: no report.

AKC Liasion: The board recently approved a letter to update our file with AKC. It will be published on Yahoo site shortly. Discussion of status of Willamette Valley KC and need to open negotiations with them regarding territory. Board consensus to wait until after WVVC's upcoming show.

### **New Business**

Classes Discussion of doing classes again. Alice will check out the Eichelberger facility before next meeting.

Sweatshirts Judi distributed a draft shirt order form which will also be published on the Yahoo site. We will take orders until November 1 to have new shirts before the winter match. Discussion of also doing a tablecloth or two. *(Sec'y note: Polos are available up to 4X; T-shirts available up to 6X, sweatshirts available up to 4X)*

Junior achievements Helen shared the success of the Mansfield kids this year in Juniors. Andrew is qualified for the Eukanuba Invitational and needs 2 more wins to qualify for Westminster. Douglas is right on his brother's heels. Discussion of how as a club we can encourage and support juniors in the club. Motion was made, and passed with no objections voiced, asking the Board to create a Scholarship Committee to make recommendations to the club for encouraging juniors. Rikki, Alice, Karen, Helen volunteered to serve on the committee. Suggestion was made to include a junior as well.

*(Sec'y note: Question was raised on whether we have a junior membership. Constitution does include a junior membership which is non-voting and has no dues requirement).*

October meeting will be October 23 at Kwan's Restaurant.

There being no further business, meeting adjourned for brags.